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****Community News Bulletin****

**Sen. Gilbert hosting forum on agriculture and land preservation
in Lapeer County**

LANSING – Sen. Jud Gilbert, R-Algonac, is hosting a public meeting in Lapeer County to discuss agriculture and land preservation in the county and around the state.

The forum will take place Friday, June 10 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Lapeer County Annex Building, 287 W. Nepessing Street, Lapeer.

Discussion will focus on what the Legislature is doing to promote Michigan's agricultural economy and preserve farm communities in Lapeer County and throughout the state. Agriculture and land preservation experts will be making presentations on these topics.

Public testimony from county residents also will be taken on ways to keep farming and Michigan's rural areas strong.

Joining Gilbert at the meeting will be Rep. John Stahl, R-North Branch, representatives from Lapeer County and Michigan Farm Bureau, the U.S.D.A. Rural Development Office, the Michigan Department of Agriculture and local land use leaders.

For information about the hearing contact Sen. Gilbert at 1-877-GILBERT or senjgilbert@senate.michigan.gov.

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